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Frommer stands up for redirected college students

Local high school and community college students stand with Assembly Majority Leader Dario Frommer to protest higher education budget cuts.

(GLENDALE, CA) -- Assembly Majority Leader Dario Frommer (D-Glendale) this month urged Governor Schwarzenegger to restore funding for the education of more than 11,000 University of California and California State University students who have been redirected to community colleges because of \$46 million in proposed budget cuts to higher education.

“Governor Schwarzenegger’s budget shatters California’s 40-year promise to our students and their parents that says, ‘If you work hard and make the grades, you can go to University of California or California State University,’” Frommer said.

The University of California recently sent out 7,600 letters redirecting accepted freshman to community colleges for the next

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two years because of budget constraints. California State University followed suit with 3,800 similar letters. This is the first time since the enactment of California’s master plan for education in 1960 that the state has not admitted students who were eligible to the University of California or California State University system. The plan guarantees every Californian who qualifies access to an education at the University of California, the



California State University or to the California Community Colleges.

Frommer encouraged Governor Schwarzenegger to use a small portion of a \$1.32 billion windfall the state received from a tax evasion amnesty program established by Frommer and Senator Gilbert Cedillo (D-Los Angeles) this year to cover the costs of sending the 11,400 redirected students to the schools they deserve to attend. The anticipated savings from redirecting these students is only \$46 million in comparison.

Frommer was joined by students from Clark Magnet High School and Hoover High School in Glendale who have been denied immediate entrance into a UC or CSU school because of the proposed budget cuts. ♦

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UPCOMING EVENTS

43RD ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

June 5

Behind the Scenes: Burbank Block Party
Johnny Carson Park, 400 South Bob Hope Drive

Thursdays, 9:30 p.m.

“Capitol Connection with Assemblyman Dario Frommer”
Charter Communications Channel 25

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News in Brief

Frommer hosts Child Safety Day in Burbank

(BURBANK, CA) – Assembly Majority Leader Dario Frommer (D-Burbank) -- in partnership with State Farm Insurance, California Highway Patrol, Safety Belt Safe USA and the Boys & Girls Club of Burbank -- hosted Child Safety Day on May 8 at the Burbank Empire Center.

Dozens of local families turned out for the event, which focuses on raising awareness about the safety of children in vehicles. California Highway Patrol Officers, who are certified car seat technicians, inspected several dozen vehicles and gave away car seats and booster seats to families in need. ♦

Women learn self defense in North Hollywood

(NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA) – More than 75 women in the 43rd Assembly District grabbed a unique opportunity earlier this month when they participated in a free self-defense workshop offered by Assembly Majority Leader Dario Frommer (D-Glendale).

Co-hosted by Los Angeles City Councilwoman Wendy Greuel and the California Highway Patrol, trained self-defense instructors taught local women basic techniques and tactics at Los Angeles Valley College. ♦

Glendale Police Department unveils memorial

(GLENDALE, CA) – The Glendale Police Department finally unveiled its police memorial statue on May 27, an important tribute to Glendale’s fallen officers for which Assembly Majority Leader Dario Frommer (D-Glendale) was able to obtain \$20,000 in state funds.

The statue, entitled “Shield,” is a tribute to Glendale Police officers Charles Lazzaretto, Charles Whitney Smith and Leslie O Clem who were killed in the line of duty. May 27 was the 7-year anniversary of Lazzaretto’s death. Each of the fallen officers will have bronze plaques with their likeness represented on the base of the “Shield.” ♦